

	<p>WINTHROP UNIVERSITY</p> <p>Notice of Intent to Sole Source</p>	<p>Procurement Officer: Phone: E-Mail Address:</p>	<p>Anna Triester (803) 323-2143 triestera@winthrop.edu</p>
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POSTING DATE: July 13, 2023

In accordance with §11-35-1560 (A) of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code, it is the intent of Winthrop University (Winthrop) to award without competition a sole source contract in accordance with Regulation 19-445.2105 (B) (5) where we continue subscription service for both Cataloging and Metadata subscription and WorldShare ILL.

From OCLC, Inc. on the basis of:

Winthrop entered into a sole source contract with OCLC in 2014 to replace the university's integrated library system with a system that works seamlessly with all of its products including the existing OCLC WMS Interlibrary Loan System utilized at the time. OCLC's integrated library system was the only contractor that provided a seamless link between OCLC's interlibrary loan and OCLC WMS integrated library system. The OCLC WMS system is already in place at Winthrop and provides streamlined workflow, cataloging, interlibrary loan services, reduced IT systems person requirements, integration with books, journals, databases, and more adaptable workflow. Any discontinuation or abandonment of this system would create a collapse in services available from Winthrop's Library Services; creating a blackout of services for an undetermined amount of time and 2) OCLC, Inc. is the sole provider of the OCLC WorldShare Management Systems and Services for libraries.

ESTIMATED VALUE: \$200,686.91 through 07/13/2028

QUESTIONS/RESPONSES/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Shall be addressed to the email address of the Procurement Officer indicated above.

PROTESTS If you are aggrieved in connection with the award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within five (5) business days of the date the award notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date the award notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided.

Any protest or notice of intent to protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to: protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov or (b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.

Unless otherwise suspended or canceled, Winthrop will enter into a contract for these services. Contractor should not perform work on or incur any costs associated with this notice prior to the receipt of a purchase order. Winthrop assumes no liability for any expenses incurred prior to issuance of a purchase order.